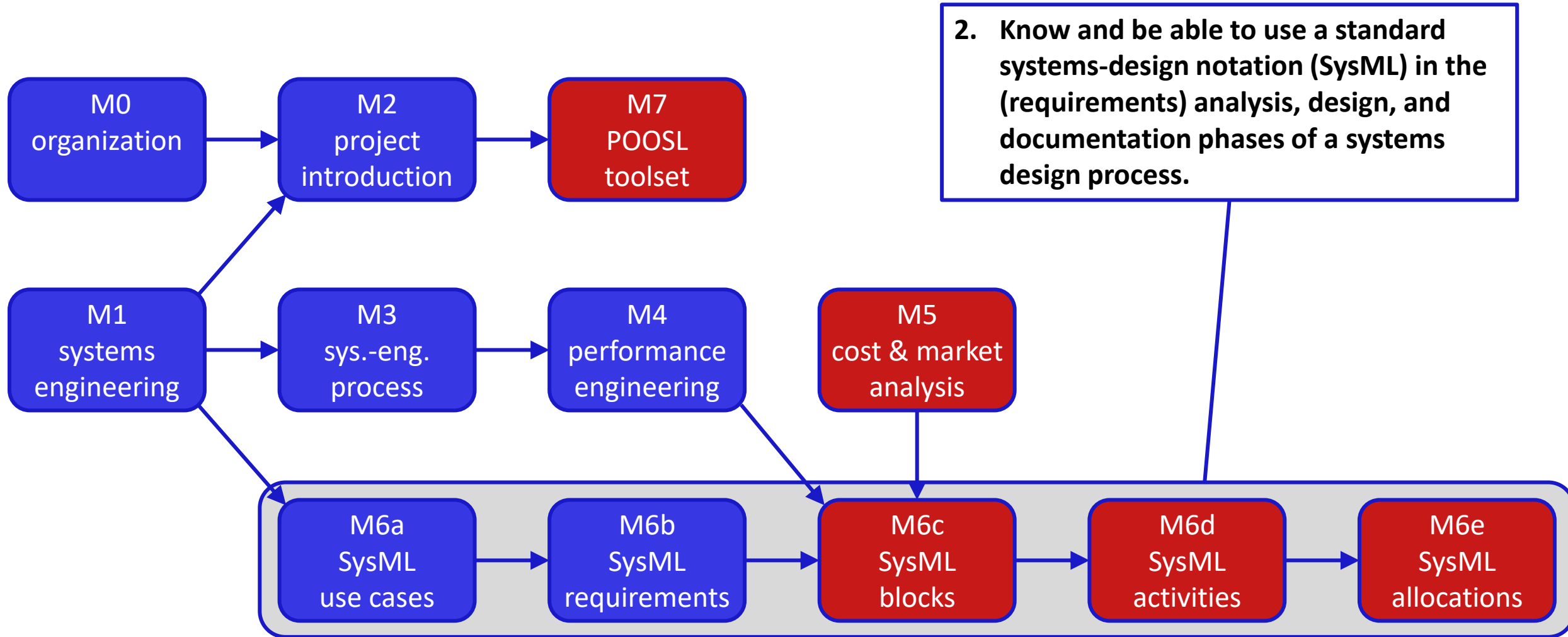


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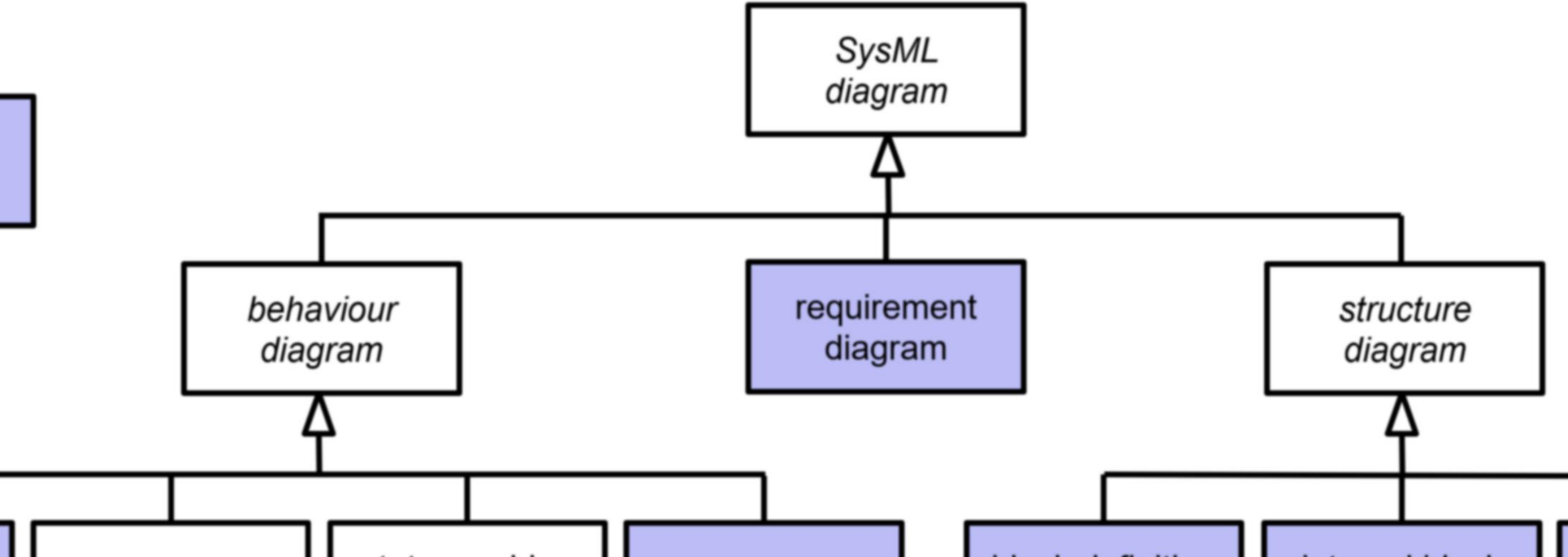
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M6c - SysML blocks



M6c – SysML blocks part 1

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Slides in part based on a slide set of Kees Goossens and Dip Goswami

parametric
diagram

in this lecture

SysML blocks

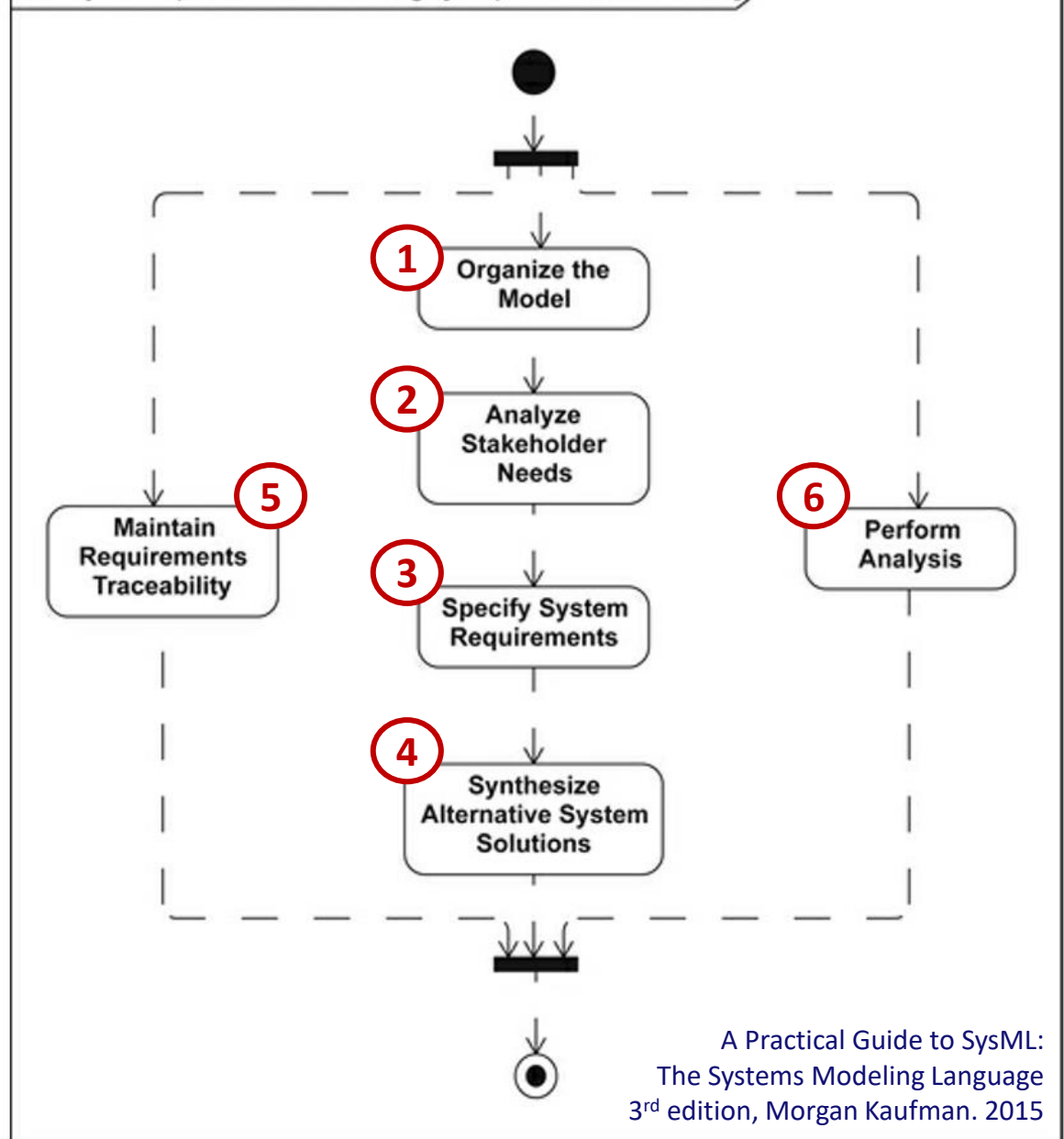
- blocks and their relations
- modeling system structure

diagrams

- block definition diagrams

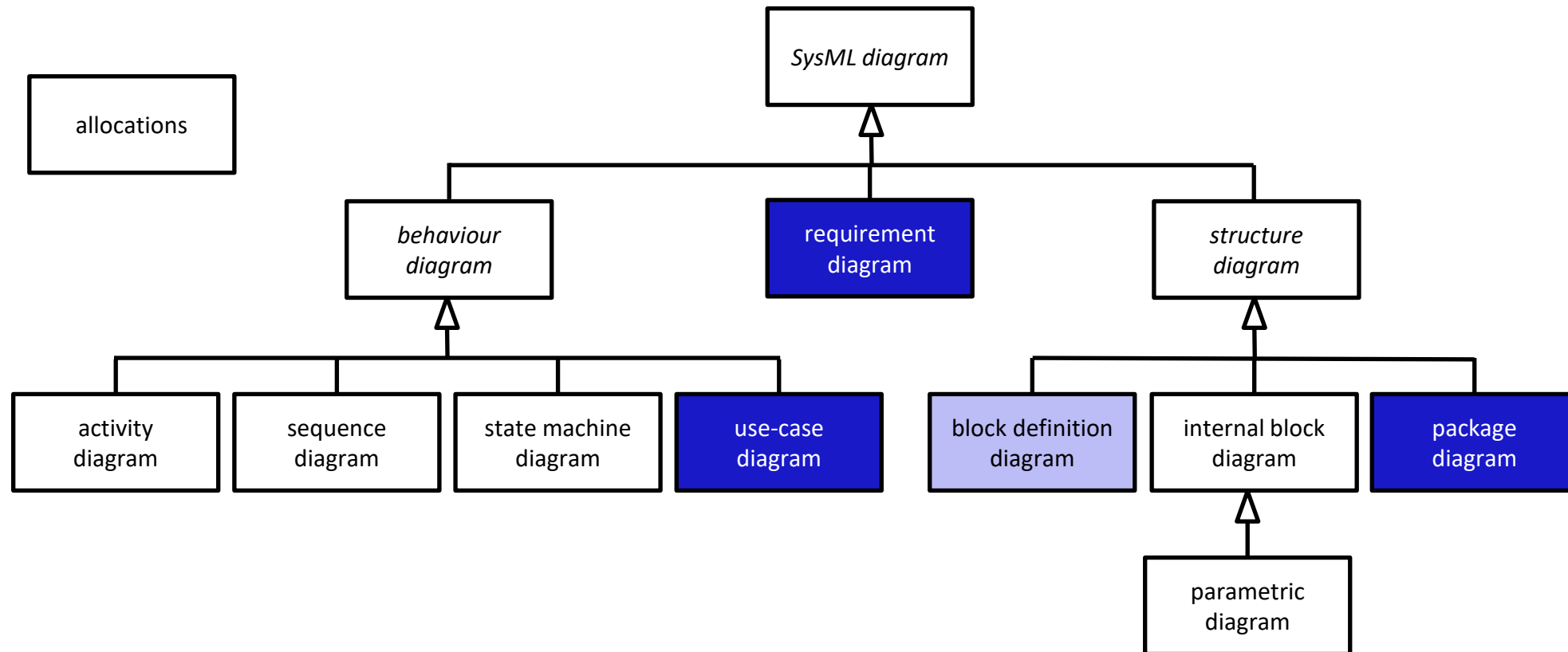
a simplified² MBSE method

1. SysML package diagram
2. stakeholders
SysML UC diagrams, UC descriptions
measures of effectiveness (moes)
3. SysML requirement diagrams
4. create multiple alternatives
 - **SysML BDDs – system decomposition**
 - SysML IBDs – interconnections
 - SysML Activity diagrams – UC refinements
 - SysML Allocations – activities to blocks
5. requirements tracking
 - SysML Allocation – reqs to blocks/activities
6.
 - SysML PAR diagrams – covering all moes
 - POOSL models – makespan
 - analytical model – profit
 - verification



SysML – diagram overview

diagrams are **views** on the model
(i.e., on a subset of **model elements**)



SysML – blocks – what is it

a **block** is the **modular unit of structure**

- physical entity (a system, hardware, ...)
- a person, facility (building, road) or entity in the natural environment (atmosphere, ocean, ...)
- type of logical or conceptual entity (software, data, ...)
- entity that flows through a system (water, current, data, control commands, ...)

a **block** describes **a set of instances** that share the block's definition

a **block** has

- **structural features** that define its internal structure and properties
- **behavioral features** that define how it interacts with environment and modifies its own state

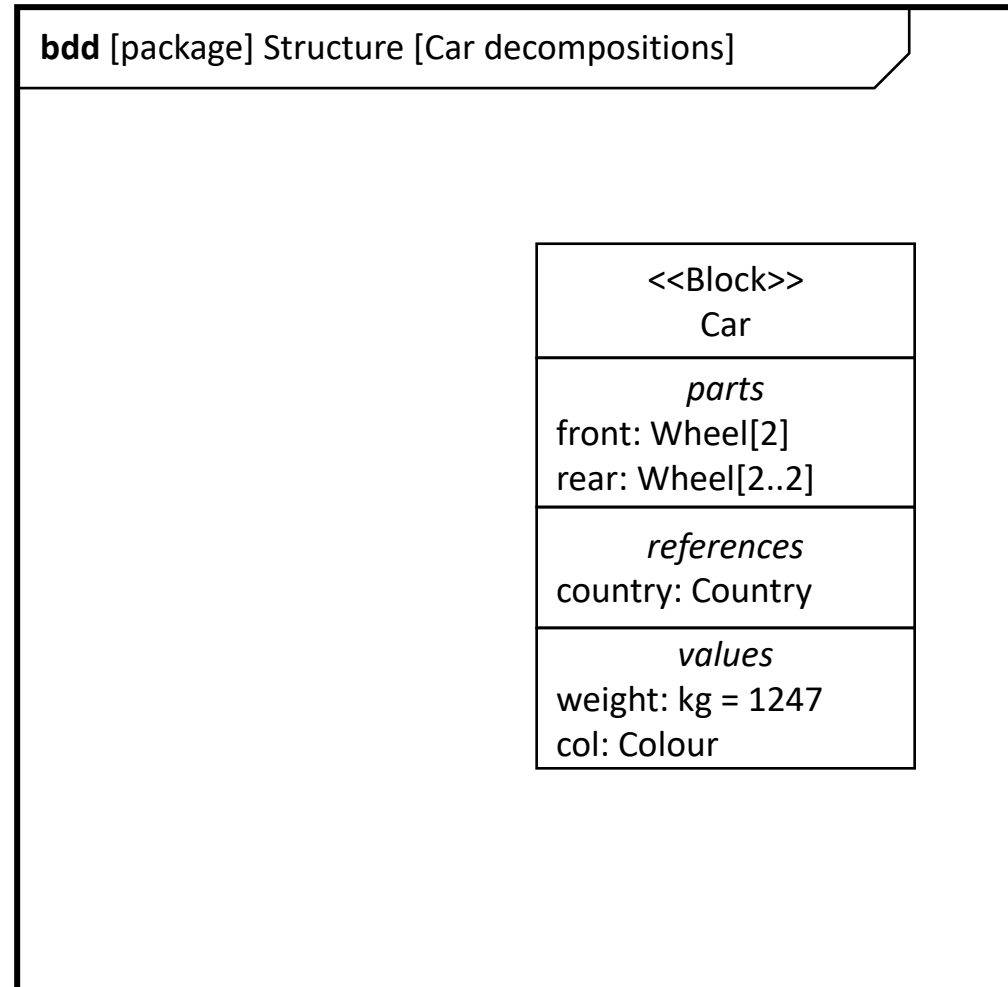
SysML – blocks – model elements

structural features (properties) of a **block**

- **parts**: composition relationship between blocks (e.g., a car has two front wheels)
- **references**: refer to another block instance; a “needs relationship” (e.g., a car is made in some country)
- **values**: quantitative characteristics of blocks (e.g., weight)
- **ports**: next lecture
- **flow properties**: next lecture

structural features

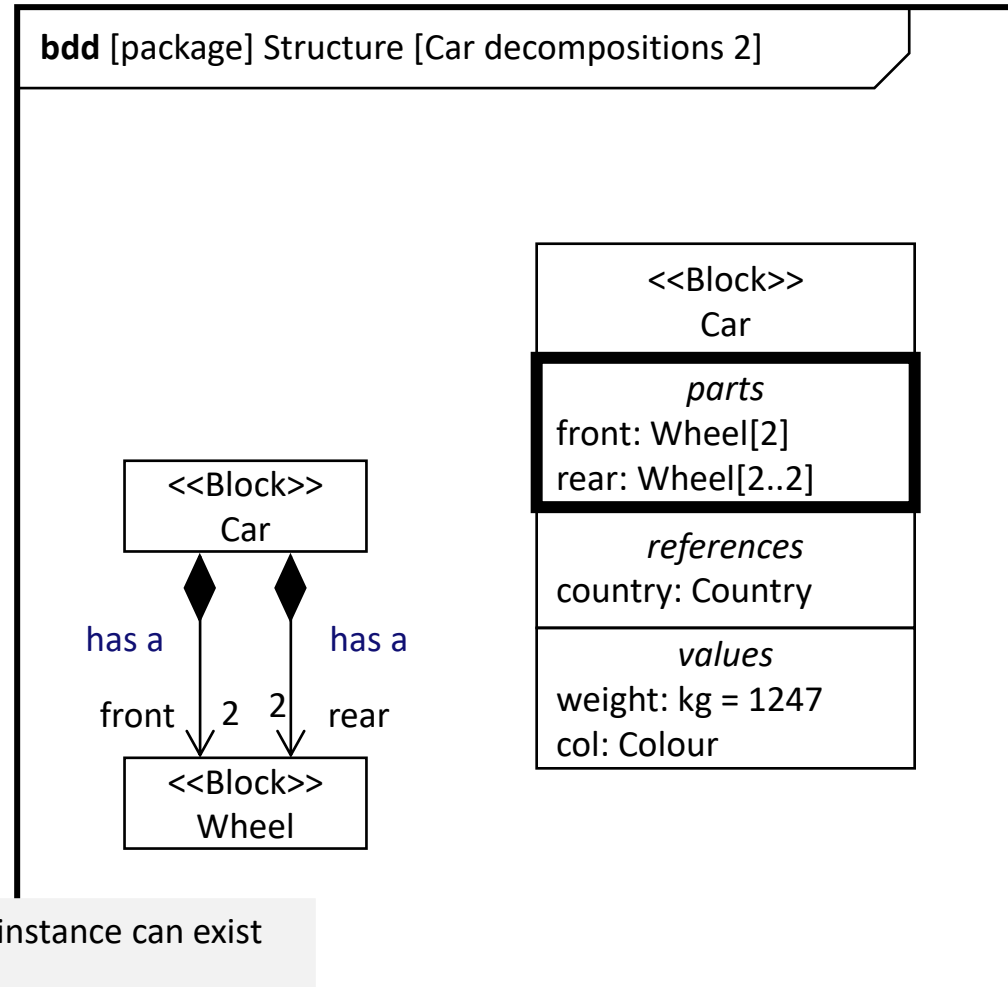
- have **multiplicities**, i.e. a lower and upper bound, e.g., 1, 0..1, 1..*, ...
- can be shown in **block compartments**



SysML – blocks – model elements – relations

composite association: relates two blocks in whole-part relationship

- line between two blocks with a diamond (whole) and open arrowhead (part); **name** is optional
- **implies** a part property in the owning block
- **multiplicities:**
 - owner: [0..1] (default), or 1
 - part: anything, e.g., 1 (default), 0..1, 1..3, *, ...

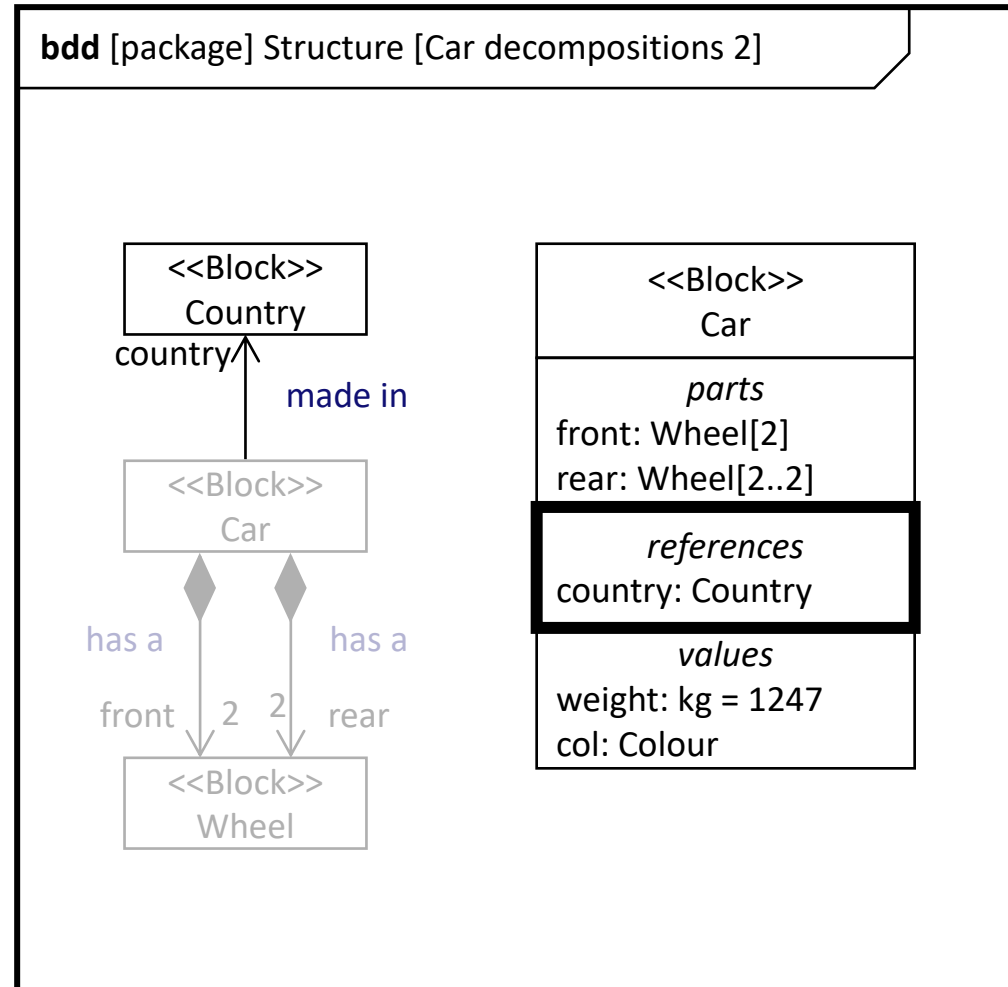


[0,1] multiplicity on whole end: part instance can exist even if it is not part of a whole

[1] multiplicity on whole end: part instance cannot exist without being part of a whole

SysML – blocks – model elements – relations

- reference association:** represents a “needs” relationship, not ownership
- line between blocks with an open arrowhead (unidirectional), or no arrowhead (bidirectional)
 - **implies** a reference property in the block(s)
 - **multiplicities** free (default is 1)

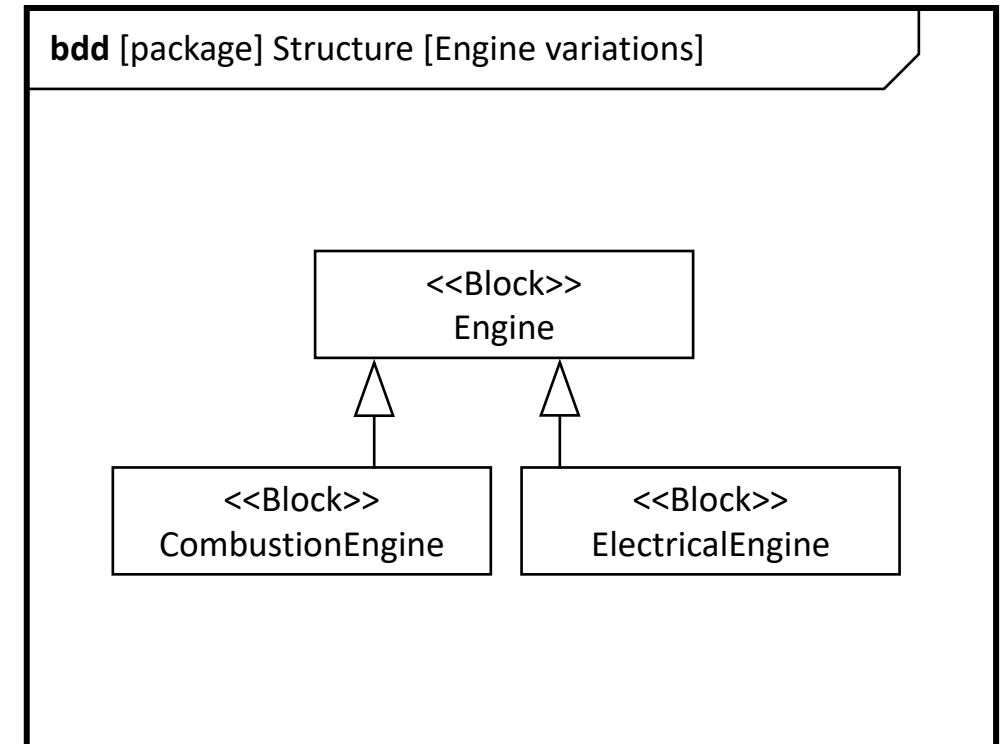


SysML – blocks – model elements – generalization

specialization/generalization: relates blocks in a classification hierarchy

- a **classifier** is a type (a block) that may be used as the basis for more specific types
- a **general classifier** contains features that are common to more **specialized classifiers**
- a more specified classifier (**subclass/subtype**) inherits the features of the more general classifier (**superclass/supertype**)

line between two blocks with a hollow arrowhead
(more general type): *no multiplicities*



SysML – blocks – model elements – generalization

specialization **adds features**

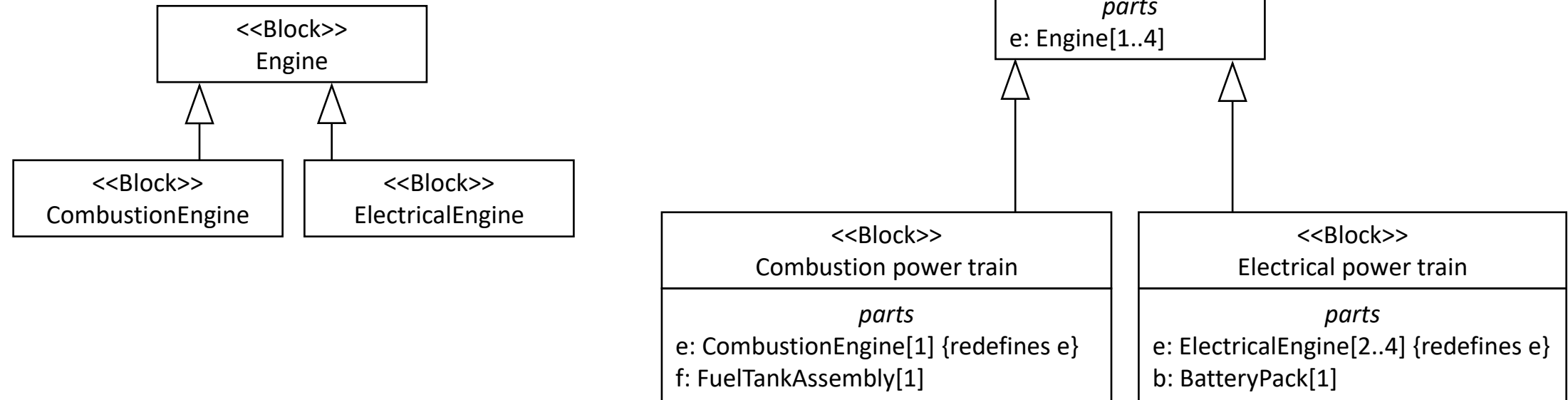
specialization can **redefine features**

- restrict multiplicity
- restrict the type of the feature
- add or change a default value

SysML – block definition diagram (bdd)

Making this block *abstract* means that it cannot be instantiated. Then there are only 2 types of power trains.

bdd [package] Structure [Power train classification]



SysML – blocks – recommended reading

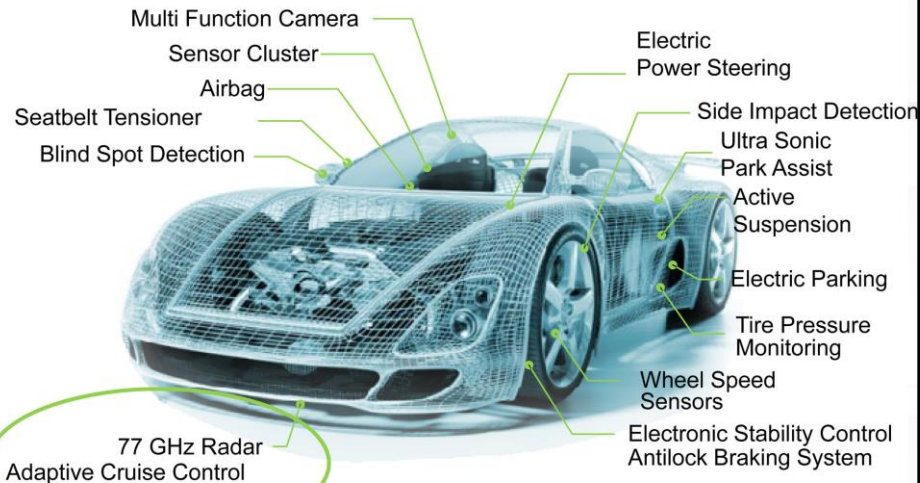
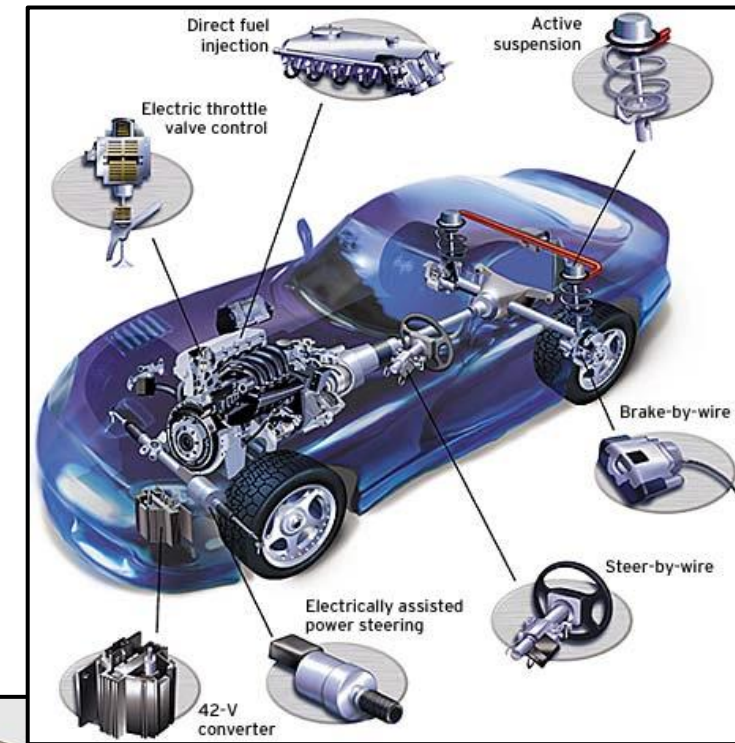
sections 7.2, 7.3 (not about internal block diagrams), 7.7 intro, 7.7.1

quiz

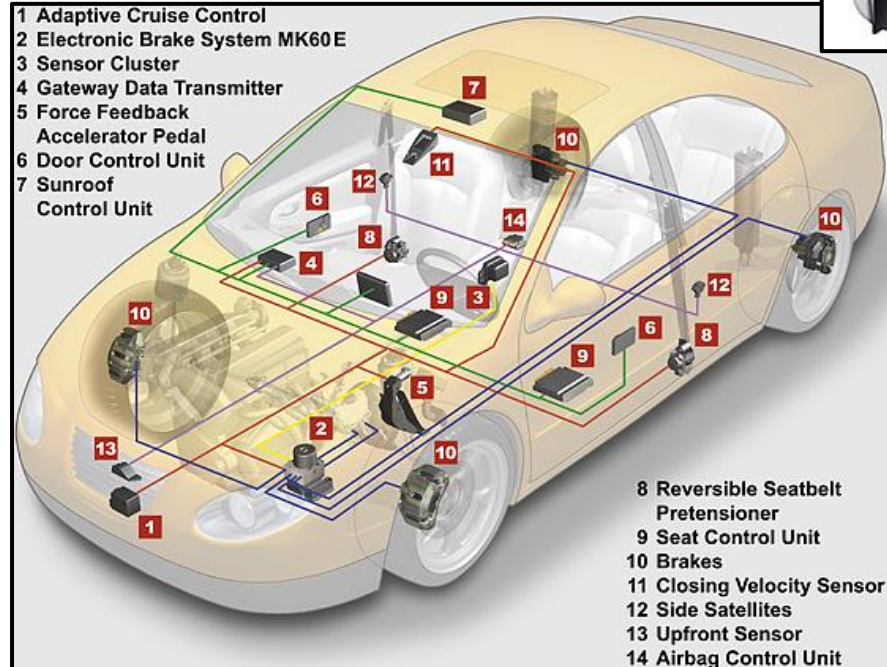
- name a few model elements that can be used for BDDs
 - blocks, with structural properties (parts, references, values, ports, flow properties)
 - composite association between blocks
 - reference association between blocks
 - specialization/generalization between blocks (creates a classification hierarchy)

SysML – running example

A vehicle has a power train as one of its components. This power train can have a combustion engine, hybrid engine, or be fully electric. A hybrid power train has a single electric engine, and a fully electric one can have two or four (electric) engines. A combustion engine needs a fuel tank, and cars with an electric engine need a battery pack. Finally, we have 4 and 6-cylinder combustion engines.



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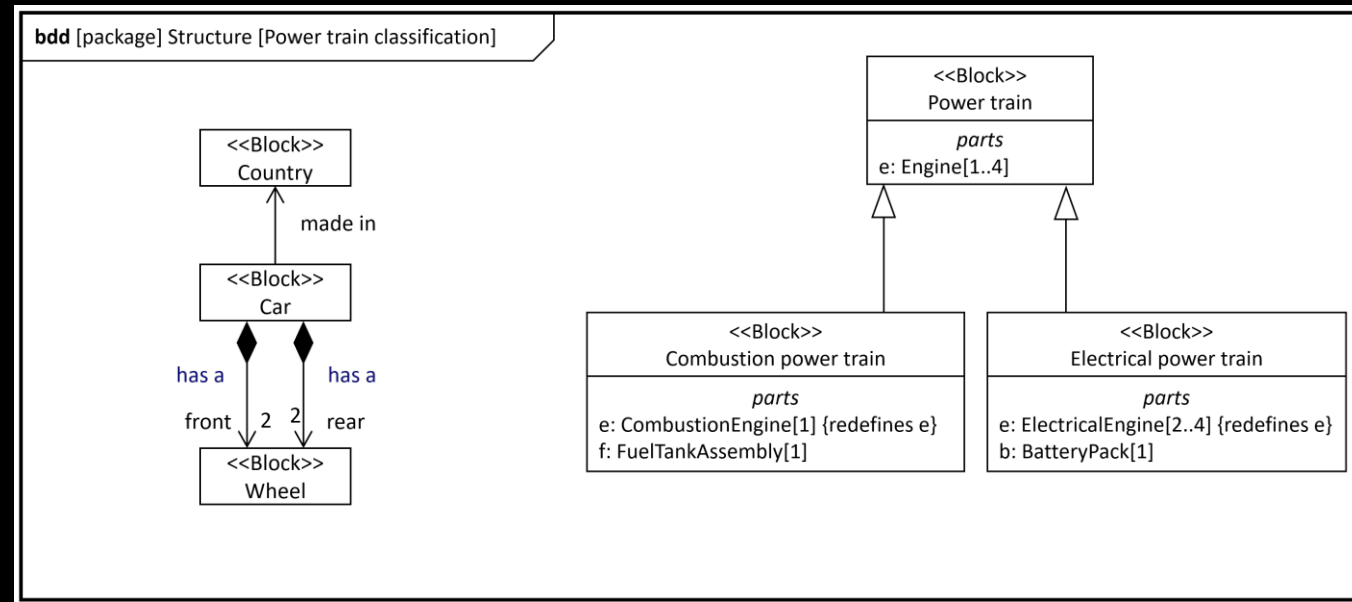


sources: motorola, aa1car.com

think – pair – share

create one or more BDDs for the following description

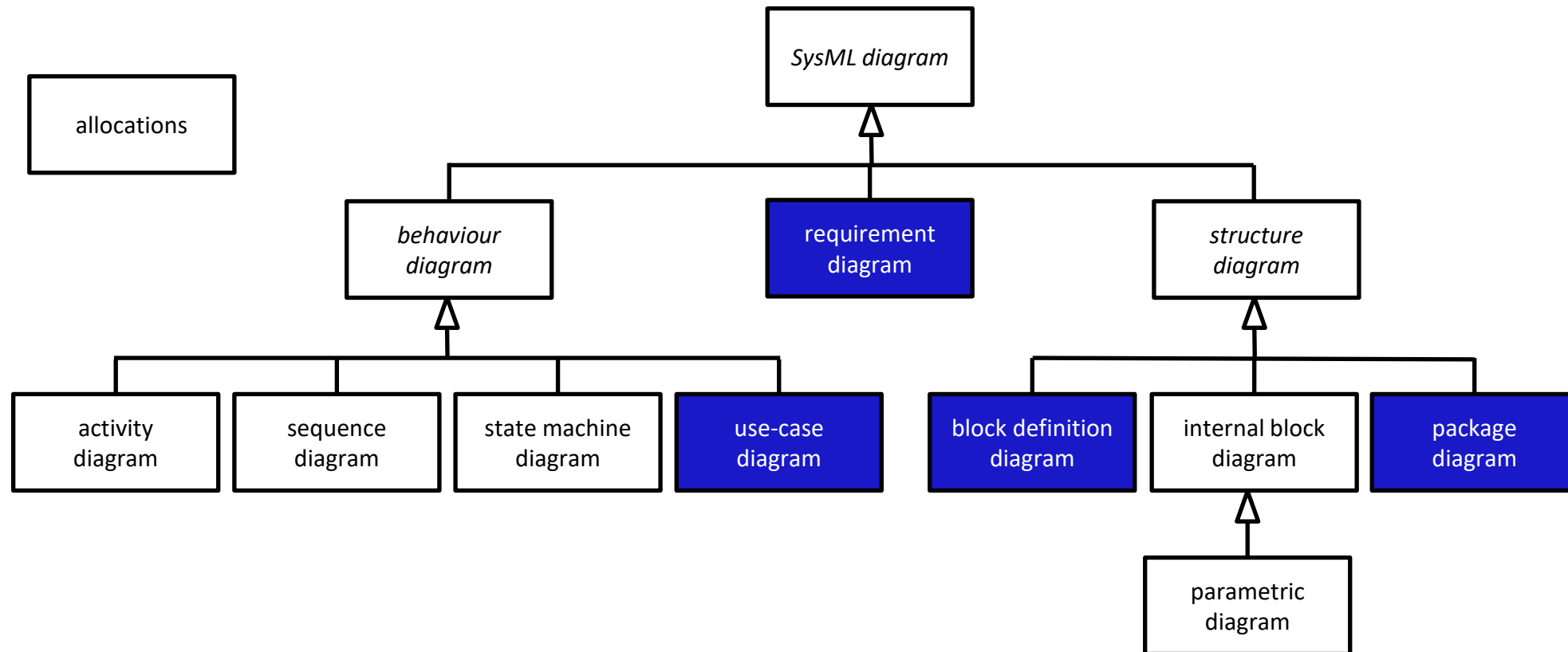
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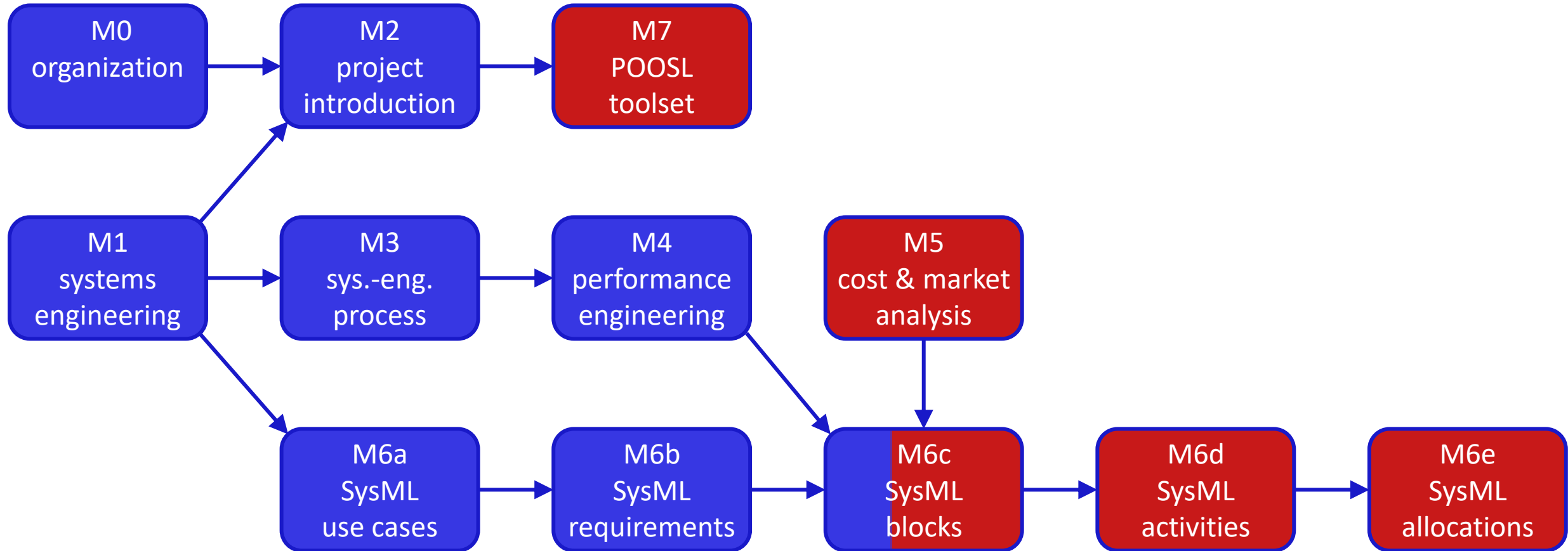
inspiration

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to remember

blocks can be used to model the *structure* of a system

composite association models “part of” relationship

reference association models “needs” relationship; it can cut through the part-of tree

generalization relates blocks in a classification hierarchy

specialization adds and/or redefines features

multiple bdd’s for multiple viewpoints (e.g., composition tree vs classification tree)